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SUBJ: BOLIVIAN CANDIDACY FOR UN SECURITY COUNCIL IN 1978

1. GOB FONMIN DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AFFAIRS, JULIO DE ZAVALA AND EX-AMBASSADOR TO CHILE, GUILLERMO GUTIERREZ VEA MURGIA HAVE JOURNEYED TO CARACAS PRIMARILY TO FIRM UP SUPPORT FOR BOLIVIA'S CANDIDACY FOR A UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL SEAT IN 1978. WHILE LA PAZ DAILIES SPECULATE THAT THIER MEETING WITH PRESIDENT PEREZ WILL CONCERN ANDEAN PACT AND BILATERAL MATTERS, IT IS CERTAIN THAT THEY WILL BEE SEEKING VENEZUELA'S SUPPORT FOR AND ASSISTANCE IN SECURING THE LATIN CAUCUS VOTES FOR A BOLIVIAN COUNCIL SEAT. AMBASSADOR ZAVALA ADVISED EMBOFF THAT HE MIGHT GO ON TO KINGSTON, JAMAICA, THE ONLY OTHER SERIOUS CON-TENDER FOR THE REGIONAL SEAT AT THIS TIME. ZAVALA SAID THAT GOB IS CONCERNED THAT EVEN IF BOLIVIA RECEIVES SUPPORT OF LA CAUCUS, JAMAICA MAY SEEK GROUP OF 77 SUPPORT FOR ITS OWN CAND-IDACY. ANOTHER FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL OPTIMISTICALLY TOLD EMBOFF ON APRIL 4, THAT BOLIVIA BELIEVES IT HAS FAIRLY FIRM COM-MITMENTS FROM FOURTEEN LA CAUCUS MEMBERS.

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2. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT DEPARTMENT CONSIDER USG SUPPORT FOR THE BOLIVIAN CANDIDACY AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME AND FASHION. BOLIVIA'S CREDENTIALS AS AN INCREASINGLY STABLE, RESPONSIBLE, AND DEVEL-OPMENT-ORIENTED NATIONA WHICH HAS INTERESTS AND POLICIES FAVOR-ABLE TO OUR OWN MAKE IT AN ACCEPTABLE CANDIDATE FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW. THE GOB WOULD NO DOUBT BE DISPOSED TO SUPPORT MOST US POSITIONS IN THE UN AS IT HAS DONE IN THE PAST AND IN ANY CASE

THE GENERAL THRUST OF GOB POLICY IS TO CREATE AN INTERNATIONAL IMAGE OF MATURITY, PROGRESS AND RESPONSIBLENESS.

3. AS WE UNDERSTAND IT USG POLICY GENERALLY IS TO FOLLOW THE DECISIONS OF THE LA CAUCUS ON SUCH MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS. WE ALSO APPRECIATE THAT OUR SUPPORT FOR BOLIVIA MIGHT BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE IF NOT HANDLED CORRECTLY. THE GOB HAS NOT REPEAT NOT GIVEN ANY HINT TO US THAT IT WISHES USG SUPPORT FOR ITS CANDIDACY, PERHAPS FOR THIS VERY REASON. WHAT WE ARE SUGGESTING IS THAT DEPARTMENT CONSIDER WHETHER BOLIVIA AS LATIN AMERICAN MEMBER ON SC WOULD BE IN OUR INTEREST AND IF SO, WHETHER USG CAN CONTRIBUTE TO ITS OBTAINING A SC SEAT.
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